



Keeping People and Goods Moving in the Regional Network





Alaskan Way Viaduct

Guiding Principles

Any solution to the Alaskan Way Viaduct is to be grounded in the city, state and county's recognition of, commitment to and integration across a set of six guiding principles.

These guiding principles are as follows:

- **Improve public safety.** Replacing the viaduct is an urgent public safety issue. Any solution to the Alaskan Way Viaduct must improve public safety for current viaduct users and along the central waterfront.
- **Provide efficient movement of people and goods now and in the future.** Any solution to the Alaskan Way Viaduct must optimize the ability to move people and goods today and in the future in and through Seattle in an efficient manner, including access to businesses, port and rail facilities during and after construction.
- **Maintain or improve downtown Seattle, regional, the port and state economies.** Any solution to the Alaskan Way Viaduct must sustain the city, region, port and state's economic vitality during and after construction.
- **Enhance Seattle's waterfront, downtown and adjacent neighborhoods as a place for people.** Any solution to the Alaskan Way Viaduct must augment Seattle's reputation as a world-class destination.
- **Create solutions that are fiscally responsible.** Any solution to the Alaskan Way Viaduct must make wise and efficient use of taxpayer dollars. The state's contribution to the project is not to exceed \$2.8 billion in 2012 dollars.
- **Improve the health of the environment.** Any solution to the Alaskan Way Viaduct must demonstrate environmental leadership, with a particular emphasis on supporting local, regional and state climate change, water quality and Puget Sound recovery initiatives.



What is scoping?

Scoping is a public process for determining the environmental issues that should be addressed in the proposed project's environmental document.

Environmental elements to be studied

- Transportation – traffic, transit, freight, parking, pedestrians.
- Noise and vibration.
- Visual quality.
- Social and economics – minority and/or low income populations, relocations, businesses, communities.
- Water quality – surface water, groundwater, coastal areas.
- Historic, cultural, and archaeological resources.
- Air quality – pollutants, climate change.
- Fisheries, wildlife, and habitat.
- Parks and recreation.
- Hazardous materials – past land use.
- Land use – land use plans, policies, zoning.
- Public services and utilities.
- Earth – geology and soils.





Proposed project timeline for the central waterfront



Executives make
recommendation for
central waterfront
solution to legislative
bodies



Release final
environmental impact
statement



Begin to take down
the viaduct on the
central waterfront

2008		2009	2010		2012
September - November	December	July–September	April–June	October–December	
Scenario evaluation results		Draft environmental impact statement released for public review		Environmental documentation completion	
					



We want to hear from you today.

The Federal Highway Administration, WSDOT, King County and City of Seattle are developing a new environmental impact statement for the central waterfront.

What issues should be considered in our analysis?



You can provide comments in the following ways:

Comment form

Complete one of the comment forms provided at this meeting

Statement

Make a statement to the court reporter today

E-mail

viaduct@wsdot.wa.gov

Write

Alaskan Way Viaduct and Seawall Replacement Program
Washington State Department of Transportation
999 Third Avenue, Suite 2424
Seattle, WA 98104

What will we do with your comments?

Your comments will be used to help shape the future of the central waterfront project and give us guidance on what should be considered in the environmental documentation.

For scoping comments to be considered on currently available information, please send them by September 30, 2008. All other comments and inquiries can be sent at any time to the above project addresses.